(ख) हाल ही में ऐसे कुछ मामले हुए हैं, जिनमें वरीयता प्राधिकार धारकों को एल. पी. जी. उपकरणों (सिलिण्डर और प्रेशर रेगुलेटर) की कमी के कारण पूर्वी दिल्ली सहित संघ राज्य क्षेत्र, दिल्ली के कुछ वितरकों द्वारा नए कनेक्शन तुरंत नहीं दिए जा सके थे ।

Demand and production of pay-phones

3365. SHRI SHANKARRAO NARAYANRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to instal pay-phones in the country which will operate on coins as well as on plastic credit cards;

(b) if so, names of companies licensed so far, their installed capacities sanctioned, and names of their foreign collaborators;

(c) what is the estimated demand for pay-phones during the next five years; and

(d) how many more units are likely to be licensed to meet the fast-growing demand for pay-phones?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir. However it is to mention that the Pay Phones will work either on coins or on plastic credit cards.

(b) Ministry of Communications does not issue licenses for the manufacture of Pay Phones.

(c) No estimate has been made for long term demand. However, Department of Telecom. has plans to provide 17000 local PCO's and 6300 STD Pay Phones by 1990 as per Mission "Better Communications".

(d) Does not arise.

Share of various oil companies in the total refining capacity

3366. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the respective share of different oil companies in the total existing refining capacity and the projected refining capacity by 1992; and

(b) what is Government's approach towards correcting any imbalance that may exist amongst different oil companies in the share of total refining capacity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT):

(In million tonnes)

(a) Name of oil companies	Present Refining Capacity	Proposed Refining Capacity in 1992
1. Indian Oil Corporation	21.25	24.40
2. Madras Refineries Limited . . .	5.60	5.60
3. Cochin Refineries Limited . . .	4.50	4.50
4. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited .	6.00	6.00
5. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (Including swing capacity of 2 MTPA) .	10.00	10.00
6. Bongaigaon Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd.	1.35	1.35
	48.70	51.85

(b) The ownership of additional refining capacity will be decided based on economic considerations rather than on the interest of oil companies.

Request for taking over of the Union Corporation Plan

3367. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the employees union of the Union Carbide Corporation Limited has made repeated requests to the Central Government for taking over of the Plant in the interest of workers; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The various implications of the proposal are under study.

Commission on the medicines required for National Health Programme

@3368. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:
SHRI DHARANIDHAR BASUMATARI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the increase in the trade commission and its impact on the medicines required for National Health Programme:

(b) whether the trade commission on Category-I and Category-II drugs is the same and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare was consulted;

(c) whether Government propose to reduce the trade commission in the context of the effect it has on the consumer prices; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) The trade margin which is part of MAPE has been revised by the Government under DPCO 1987 to 16 per cent on all price controlled indigenously manufactured formulations and there is no increase in the prices of medicines on account of this revision.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

उत्तर प्रदेश के गांवों में डाक तार घर

3369. श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर प्रदेश में उन गांवों की संख्या कितनी है जहां 30 जून, 1988 को डाक-तार सुविधा उपलब्ध नहीं थी और इन गांवों में ये सुविधाएं कब तक सुलभ कराये जाने की संभावना है ; और

(ख) विगत तीन वर्षों के दौरान उत्तर प्रदेश में खोले गए डाक-तार घरों की वर्षवार संख्या कितनी-कितनी है ?

संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गोमांगो) : (क) **डाक सुविधाएं**:— उत्तर प्रदेश के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में 16343 डाकघर स्थापित किए गए हैं जिनके माध्यम से प्रदेश के सभी ग्रामों में डाक सुविधाएं सुलभ कराई जा रही हैं । सातवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के शेष दो वर्षों के दौरान इस राज्य के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में 550 अन्य डाकघर भी खोले जाने का प्रस्ताव है ।

तार सुविधाएं:—30 जून, 1988 की स्थिति के अनुसार बिना तार सुविधा वाले ग्रामों की संख्या 1,21,781 है । इन ग्रामों में सन् 2000 ई. तक तार सुविधा प्रदान किए जाने की उम्मीद है ।

@Previously unstarred question 2663, transferred from the 17th August, 1988.